

# ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image processing apparatus which can execute an image process which is desired by a client while minimizing a connection time and an interactive communication between the client and the image processing apparatus is provided. To accomplish the above object, according to the invention, there is provided an image processing apparatus for receiving an agent including an operation train via a network and allowing an image processing unit to execute image processes. This apparatus is constructed by: control means for controlling the image processing unit; interpreting means for interpreting the operation train of the agent; and message output means for outputting a message to the control means in response to the operation train interpreted by the interpreting means.